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The Honorable Duncan Hunter Chairman, Committee on Armed Services United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The following countries from calendar year 2002 have been designated friendly foreign countries eligible to participate in cooperative project agreements under Title 10 U.S.C. § 2350a (f) (2) in calendar year 2003 with the United States: Austria, Brazil, Bulgaria, Finland, India, Singapore, South Africa, Sweden, Switzerland, and Ukraine. Kuwait is a new addition to this list for 2003. No countries have been removed.

These countries have been designated as friendly foreign countries based on the following criteria:

- a. The U.S. is likely to enter into cooperative programs with them.
- b. They possess the industrial or technological means to cooperate meaningfully with the U.S. in defense research, development, test, and/or evaluation programs.

Please note that individual notifications of each project-specific agreement the Department plans to sign with countries on this list are forwarded to your committee.

If you have any questions or concerns about this notification or cooperative programs under this statute, please contact Mr. Frank Kenlon, Director, International Cooperation, Planning and Analysis at (703) 697-1130, extension 8.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Ike Skelton Ranking Member

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